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**Western Kentucky
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UA3 President's Office
Series 8 Thomas Meredith
Subseries 10 Installation File**



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Biographical/Historical Note: The president's office was created in 1906. The search for a new president began with Kern Alexander's resignation announcement on April 11, 1988. The Board of Regents elected Thomas Meredith as president August 5 and installed September 21, 1988. Under Meredith's leadership, the campus expanded with the purchase of the Bowling Green Center, creation the Institute of Economic Development and the implementation of the first strategic plan Western XXI. He also hired WKU's first female vice president, Barbara Burch. Meredith had served the university for a little over eight years when he announced his resignation February 5, 1997.

Thomas Carter Meredith was born in Owensboro December 7, 1941. He obtained his BS from Kentucky Wesleyan in 1963, his MS from WKU in 1966 and his PhD from the University of Mississippi in 1971. His early career was spent teaching high school in Owensboro, Kentucky and LaHarpe, Illinois. From there he moved into administrative positions in Jeffersonville, Indiana and the board of trustees of the State Institutions of Higher Learning in Mississippi. Meredith was vice chancellor for executive affairs at the University of Mississippi when he came to WKU in 1988.

Description: Records created and received by the President's Office in preparation of Thomas Meredith's installation as president of WKU.

Dates: 1987-1988

Subject Analytics:

Audio recording
Banquets
Meetings
Meredith, Thomas Carter, 1941-

Press conferences
Speeches, address, etc.
Video recording
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Accession Information: These records were transferred to the University Archives from the President's Office in accordance with the records retention schedule.

Access Restrictions: Films, BetaSp and Beta versions have to be converted to a viewable medium before they can be accessed by the public.

Film - cannot be viewed in house

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Beta - cannot be viewed in house

VHS - can be viewed in house

DVD - can be viewed in house

Audiocassettes - can be listened to

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UA3.8.10	Records	Date
Level	Subseries	Linked toUA3.8
Title	UA3 President's Office Series 8. Thomas Meredith Subseries 10. Installation	
Collection	WKU Archives	
Scope & Content	Records created and received by the President's Office in preparation of Thomas Meredith's installation as president of WKU.	

Container List

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Box 7		WKU President's Office	1988-1989	Installation - Film/Video/Audio File	
Description	3/4 inch (1) and VHS tapes (3)			Subjects	Speeches, address, etc. Video recording Press conferences
	Announcement of selection, 1988 3/4 in Installation 1989 vhs (2) Presidential Selection Process 1988				
	Alexander, Kern Iracane, Joe Meredith, Thomas Wilkinson, Wallace				
Tape Box 1	Drawer 3	WKU President's Office	1989	Installation - Film/Video/Audio File	
Description	Audiotape - 4			Subjects	Speeches, address, etc. Audio recording Banquets
	Installation Luncheon, 4/14/1989 Installation Week, 4/14/1989 Installation Week, Lowell Harrison lecture, 4/12/1989 Lowell Harrison: Thomas Meredith Installation Dinner, 1989				
Tape Box 1	Drawer 2	WKU President's Office	1989	Installation - Film/Video/Audio File	
Description	Audiotapes - 4			Subjects	Speeches, address, etc. Meetings Banquets Audio recording
	Faculty/Staff Reception, 4/10/1989 Frank Roberts Lecture, 4/11/1989 Kevin Brooks, Warren County Alumni Chapter 4/10/1989 Regents Dinner 4/13/1989				